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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: ICAO AVIATION MASTER PLAN STUDY FOR TURKEY

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1. GUNDUZ S. GUNGEN, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR CIVIL AVIATION, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, TOLD ACTING E/COMM COUNSELOR DECEMBER 31 THAT AVIATION MASTER PLAN STUDY FOR TURKEY HAD BEEN DELAYED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF UNDP/ICAO FUNDS, AND THAT ICAO PRIORITIES AS RESULT HAD TO BE REARRANGED. GUNGEN BELIEVES THAT CONTRACT AWARD FOR STUDY WILL MOST LIKELY BE MADE DURING SECOND HALF OF 1976.

2. WITH RESPECT TO SPEAS AND BIDDING COMPETITION GUNGEN ALLUDED TO INTERNAL ICAO POLITICS. HE SAID THAT WHEN HE WAS IN MONTREAL IN OCTOBER HE LEARNED THAT COMPANIES FROM SIX COUNTRIES (FRANCE, UK, DENMARK, NETHERLANDS, US AND CANADA) HAD SUBMITTED BIDS. HE ADDED THAT ICAO HAD SELECTED CANADIAN COMPANY; THIS SELECTION WAS IMPROPER, HE SAID, BECAUSE THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED DID NOT (REPEAT NOT) FULFILL TERMS OF REFERENCE. AFTEF SOME APPARENTLY HEATED DISCUSSION, ICAO WAS OBLIGED, BECAUSE OF IMCOMPLETENESS OF PLAN, TO REQUEST CANADIAN
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COMPANY TO REDRAFT ITS PLAN AND AT SAME TIME TO INCLUDE

DIXON SPEAS FOR CONSIDERATION. GUNGEN CONCLUDED THIS
PORTION OF HIS STATEMENT BY SUGGESTING THAT
IT IS DIFFICULT FOR ICAO TO MAKE A CHANGE.

3. HOWEVER, PENDING APPROVAL OF HIS MINISTER, WHICH HE
ANTICIPATES SOON, GUNGEN PLANS TO WRITE TO ICAO REQUEST-
ING THAT ICAO CONTINUE TO COMPLETE THE SELECTION OF COM-
PANY NOW TO DO THE STUDY AT APPROPRIATE TIME, AND HE WOULD
VERY MUCH LIKE TO HAVE DIXON SPEAS AWARDED
CONTRACT.
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